

Fall '23 Sociology Course Offerings

SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology Cr 3

Introduces the fundamental concepts, principles, and methods of sociology, analyzes the influence of social and cultural factors upon human behavior and evaluates the effect of group processes, social classes, stratification, and basic institutions in contemporary society. Satisfies the General Education Social Contexts and Institutions requirement.

SOC 101-0001	MoWe	3:30 PM - 4:45 PM	Sarah Walton	Williams Hall 211
SOC 101-0002	TuTh	11:00 AM - 12:15 PM	Michael Haedicke	Boardman Hall 310
SOC 101-0503	MoWeFi	11:00 AM - 11:50 AM	Glenn Eichel	Williams Hall 211
SOC 101-0990		Asynchronous	Glenn Eichel	Online

CRJ 114 Survey of Criminal Justice Cr 3

This course is designed to provide an overview of the justice process and the criminal justice system in general. Concepts of crime, deviance and justice will be discussed. Individual rights in a democratic society will be explored. As will the legal definitions of various crimes. The law enforcement, judicial, juvenile justice and corrections subsystem will also be explored, and a number of reform proposals presented.

CRJ 114-0001	TuTh	3:30 PM - 4:45 PM	Brian Pitman	Ferland Engineering Hall 106
CRJ 114-0002	TuTh	12:30 PM - 1:45 PM	Brian Pitman	Neville Hall 100

CRJ 220 Corrections Cr 3

This course will introduce students to the history, changes, and social impacts of the corrections system within the United States. Students will learn how the American correctional system became a hallmark for the punishment and management of offenders with one of the highest incarceration rates in the world. As part of this course, students will also examine important criminal justice policies and learn the component parts of the U.S. correctional system. Examples of topics covered in this class include the establishment of community corrections, the societal impact of mass incarceration, and the impacts of mass incarceration on both urban and rural communities.

CRJ 220-0001	MoWe	2:00 PM - 3:15 PM	Sarah Walton	Williams Hall 203
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SOC 220 Sociology of Deviance Cr 3

This course examines the nature and meaning of deviant behavior and the relationship between social norms and deviance. We explore what is, and what is not, considered deviant in the United States and around the world and how that comes to be determined. By the end of this course, you will understand how deviance is constructed, defined, viewed, and reproduced. You will be able to critically evaluate institutional responses to and control of deviance. Our study covers many topics including sex and sexuality, extreme tattooing, religion, cult, white supremacy, drugs/alcohol, deviant subcultures, and corporate crime. We examine the important theories of deviance and the relative nature of deviance.

SOC 220-0001	MoWe	9:00 AM - 9:50 AM	Glenn Eichel	Jenness Hall 108
	Fri	9:00 AM - 9:50 AM	Online	

SOC 240 Topics in Sociology: Men and Masculinities Cr 3

This course examines the social construction of masculinity in Western culture, with a primary focus on the US. We explore men's experience from multiple vantage points and examine the various ways in which masculinity is understood, represented, and constructed in society. Major themes include the "social construction" of gender; gender role stereotypes; men, privilege, and power; men and sexualities and LGBTQ+ experiences; men and race; men and violence; men's health, men in the media; men in the working world and in family life; the socialization of boys; and the concept of hegemonic (normative) versus marginalized masculinities.

SOC 240-0990

Asynchronous

Mary Okin

Online

SOC 338

Race & Ethnicity

Cr 3

Explorers dominant/subordinate relations nationally and internationally when emphasis on socially define racial and ethnic groups. Origins, nature, and consequences of racial/ethnic oppression and inequality; historical and social contexts of intergroup relations and conflicts; implications of changing racial/ethnic diversity.

SOC 338-0001

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10:00 AM - 12:50 PM

Brian Pitman

Donald P. Corbett Hall 111

SOC 340

Topics in Sociology: Health and Society

Cr 3

This intermediate level survey will focus on social determinants of health and health equity science. Lectures, readings, and class discussion will provide an overview of the following topics: Syndemics and the biosocial conception of health - the complex relationships between harmful social conditions and vulnerability to illness; The neuro-toxicology of poverty: toward a more inclusive sociology; The evolving sociology of the profession of medicine; Weapons of mass distortion - the distrust of mainstream science and medicine: the impact of social media, consumerism, the press, and the failure of peer review; The challenge of interpreting scientific, medical, and epidemiological literature; Magical thinking, magical remedies, toxins, and regulatory conundrums; and Evolving medical and research ethics: the collision of clinical reality, law, spirituality, distributive justice, and autonomy. Deliverables will be comprised by participation in class discussion, team presentations of special topics, and a critical review of an assigned paper.

SOC 340-0860

TuTh

4:00 PM - 6:50 PM

Peter Pressman

Williams Hall 205

SOC 360

Major Ideas in Sociology

Cr 3

The sociological theories of Marx, Weber, Durkheim, Mead and others. Developments in sociological theory as related to methodology, social issues, and current trends in contemporary sociology.

SOC 360-0001

TuTh

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Michael Haedicke

Williams Hal 205